

St. Alphonsus Hospital

Boise, Idaho

Sept. 5th. 43

Rev. Aloysius Ellasuria C.M.F.

My Dear Rev Brother in Christ

Very many thanks for Your nice letter received recently thanking You also for Your Holy Mass for my sister, heard from her Yesterday, she is still suffering intense pain in left knee, but is hopeful I was sorry to hear You did not receive my letter and Badges, I gave those You sent to the Sister who asked me to send them to You to bless them for her, I wrote You many things in that letter, especially about our holy friend Mrs Navarro, as well as asking You many questions I saw Mrs Navarro on Aug 15th. she was not as happy as usual, when she awakened in the morning of that day she felt so very happy in her prayers and all the way to Church, the thought came to her what would be her surprise at her Holy Communion on account of her previous happiness but alas it was turned to sadness she did not see Our Blessed Lady as she did the 15th of Aug a Year ago in her golden chariot and gold robes and girdle of blue sash and beautiful crown, there were none of that this last August 15th. she saw our Blessed Lady been taken

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to Heaven wearing a plain white robe two very tall Angels one on either side holding her Crown above her head, at this point a few cherubs, Our Blessed Lady looked at Mrs Navarro, very sad, and wore a very sad expression on her face, and disappeared, The Sacred Heart gave her Holy Communion, who was also sad as was the Eternal Father, neither the Sacred Heart meaning Our Lord nor the Eternal Father showed any appearance of happiness and remained as such till They left her, she too felt sad and said to me Sister is it possible that there is suffering in Heaven. I told her I was not able to answer that question, but I would ask You, so Father may we hear Your advice in the matter

Mrs Navarro told me some time ago she asked our Lord for all those petitions You requested, and Our Dear Lord was most happy and Gracious in granting Your requests, all praise and Thanksgiving to Him for ever in being so good to You. Mrs Navarro is feeling very much better her pain in her face have left her ever since she asked You to cure her.

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I am feeling well Thank God, except for Rheumatism which is to be expected for a person of my age, I give those pains and aches to Our Lord.

I pray very much for You and Your Novices, I made the novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, the first intention was for You, and the next for Your special child Adolphi I'm sure he is a Saint by now. tell him to keep my poor Soul in his prayers.

Do You ever hear from our Holy little friend Sister M. Mediatrix, I often and often think of her, Did You know she is absent from Mrs Navarro's Holy Communion circle for quite a long time, You know You told me You would tell me all about her as soon as she would go to Heaven I surely would like to know, as I would pray to her.

I so often wish I could spend a half hour with You and talk things over, I have made the Heroin act giving everything through the Immaculate Heart of Mary to the Sacred Heart, every prayer everything I do, to dispose of it as His Holy Will may see and desire

I do enjoy visiting with Mrs Navarro very much she is very holy and good she told me she was going to write to You soon, she enjoys the same happy feeling with the Dear Baby Jesus every morning at Holy Communion also sees You, with Our Lord in a small Ostensorium as a little Baby on Your Chest.

Now Father about You please ask Our Lord to make me good, tell me what I should do so that I may be half as good as my holy Brother. God love You.

Mrs Navarro told me You can and will get all Your intentions and all Your desire from Our Lord You are His chosen friend.

So You see I feel free to ask a favour for poor me may I.?

Thanking You Dear Father for all Your kindness to me, but especially for Your holy prayers and Blessings in my behalf.

Sincerely Your Sister in Christ
Sister M. Mildrida

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L. J. M. J. F. & R.

Sept 6, 1943.

My dear Father

am begging you to cele-
brate Holy Mass on September 15th for
my numerous intentions.

Then two Holy Masses
for Elizabeth Thompson for all
her intentions.

I am trying to storm
Heaven for September 15th that
the woman and child be taken
out of my boy's life and that he will
return truly repentant to the Sacred
Heart of Jesus and receive the great
grace of final perseverance.

Will spend all the time
I possibly can before our dear Lord
in the Blessed Sacrament and will
fast in a rigid way until the Feast
of our dear Mother of Sorrows. My
dear 43 and your dear holy self
will be included. I am going to

confession to a very good Priest
who mentions brought my Jesus to me
almost daily but Father very, very
rarely does he say one word to me
after my Confession and I do hunger
so for a word about my Darling
Sour of Sours. Were it not for my
books, dear Father, I do not know
what I would do.

I have told him about the holy
Souls I have met but not a word
from him. I have written him little
notes feeling this would move him
to say something but never an word.
A few weeks ago I went down
to the Franciscans on 31st Street, this
good Priest being away for 3 weeks
on vacation, I thought sure, that I
would get a word there & the good
Priest shut me off before I finished.
This was most delicious to my Starved
soul. Only the dear Lord strengthens me
in Holy Communion I fear I never
could have carried my cross all
these 20 years, willingly & willingly.
In fact, I know I could not.

It will be 20 years Sept 22nd

If I had money dear Father, I could fly out to visit you.

This morning I awoke about 2 30 A.M. my heart filled with such a maddening, (I might say), hunger to hear a word about my Jesus and shed the most bitter tears and begging Him to send me some one who would talk to me about Him. This ^{suffering} is worse than physical pains.

A Monsignor here in N. Y. C. said to me 30 years ago, "If I had the passing of the ones up for ordination 50 70 or less, would I pass, quality is far superior to quantity."

Rare are the Priests, Nuns or Laity who desire to talk much about their best, dearest and best of all friends their Jesus. May He deliver us soon from these days. In the Wounded Sacred Heart of Jesus, I am Very sincerely,
Mary.

St. Patrick Academy
Alton, Illinois

J.M.J.

September 6, 1943.

Rev. Aloysius Ellacuria, C.M.F.,
Claretian Major Seminary,
Compton, California.

Rev. dear Father:

Thank you very much for your letter which I received during retreat. Since such a long time had elapsed since I had written you in May, I thought that perhaps you were displeased at my having written you as I did. As I told you then, I wrote at Mother's request.

We had a very splendid retreat. I don't think I have ever enjoyed greater peace or tranquility of soul than I did this year. Our retreat master based the retreat on union with Christ through the Church. He very strongly emphasized a close following of the liturgy. I took notes for you during the conferences and shall be glad to type them for you as soon as I can; however, for the present I shall not be able to do it as we are just preparing for the entrance of our boarders and the opening of school.

I would have much to tell you were I able to speak to you but it is somewhat difficult to write it. My summer at camp was very difficult this year, more so than it has ever been. Sister Mary Eleanore was unable to be with us as she was obliged to spend the summer in the hospital in Kankakee. We had a larger number of boarders at camp than ever and there were very many younger children which made things more difficult. Difficulties of all kinds arose this year which had not arisen other years. In spite of them all, God's work was accomplished and I received very many special graces during the camping season. Father Moisant attributed many of the difficulties to the present condition of the world at war and to the opposition of Satan to the work which Father was doing with the children. It is always a very beautiful sight at camp to see our children all or practically all receiving Holy Communion every morning and then returning to the chapel in the evening for the Benediction of our Divine Camper. Father Moisant was particularly pleased with our work this year as we helped him in securing the approbation of the State Director of the Girl Scouts for Father's work with both boy and girl scouts. Our camp is now recognized as fully qualified and equipped to conduct the work of scouting and Father expects that next year, our camp will have a definite period for Catholic Girl Scouts and also for the Boy Scouts. Of course each will have their own particular period.

Father Moisant was most generous with his time and his counsel this year. As I have told you, I feel that after God, I owe to Father Moisant, the grace of my vocation and perseverance in it. Father knows my soul as you do and during the years that he was my spiritual father, he never spared me in any way. I have always considered it a privilege to be able to help with the work of the camp for this gave me some opportunity of showing my gratitude to him for all he has done for me.

God's blessing was certainly on our summer school work for it turned out even better than we could have hoped for. Our Sisters were very happy to have the privilege of remaining at home and all who took the courses enjoyed them very much and profited both intellectually as well as spiritually. The course in Rational Psychology ran along nicely with the work in Tanqueray. The instructor, Father Glim, C.S.V., although just a newly ordained priest, proved to be a very fine instructor. He is a very interior man and he edified all by his great simplicity and his deep religious spirit. The Sisters from Mount Mary College, Milwaukee, visited Beaverville during the summer to ~~inspect~~ inspect our extension and they very highly commended everything. They were deeply impressed with the beautiful spirit of recollection which they found there and the spirit of unity among the Sisters. Reverend Mother was very much pleased over this.

Thank you, Father, for writing to Mother Imelda. I was privileged in being given your letter to her to read. Mother confided everything to me. She was most heroic in her leaving here. I had a letter from her about a week ago and she is suffering the reaction I had expected. She is really suffering martyrdom. She fears that she may lose her mind. She begs that God will spare her that. To me, Father, the saddest thing in the whole question is the utter lack of realization on Mother's part that there was anything in her which brought all this to pass. As I have told you, my position has been a difficult one for in a certain sense, I have been the mediator or go-between between Mother on one side and Reverend Mother on the other. I have felt the duty of loyalty to both and it has been a difficult situation. I do hope that you will write to Mother Imelda as frequently as your many duties will permit. She is suffering and suffering keenly. I believe there was a misunderstanding on her part of Reverend Mother's actions or intentions which made things even more painful.

Mother St. Eugene came here about two weeks ago. She is an angel of peace in the house. We are having a very large enrollment of children this year, more than we have had for some time. As it is, we have been obliged to refuse many boys. Father Michael has interested some of the girls from South Chicago in our school and he is sending us five high school girls.

Perhaps you will remember Michael Cody, a boy we had here two years ago. He frequently used to serve your Mass when you came. He is a very beautiful soul. I know that you will be pleased to know that he is entering St. Jude's next Sunday to begin his

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studies for the priesthood. His case is rather a sad one but a beautiful example of Divine Providence watching over his soul. He has a sister who has been with us for three years and was to be a senior this year. Michael attended St. Joseph's in Renssaler, Indiana, for the past two years. The father has just joined the army and both children were left on their own to take care of themselves. They were both to work and try to finish school by attending night school or part time day school. We appealed to Reverend Mother for the girl and she gave us permission to accept her. Father Demarais was most interested in the boy and suggested at once that perhaps Father Schneider would be able to do something for him. Father kindly offered to take the boy. Michael was here yesterday to see us and to see both Father Demarais and Father Schneider. He was so happy to know that his ardent desire for the priesthood is to be realized. He is deeply appreciative of the great opportunity being given him and we trust that he will become a holy and zealous priest.

I am finding it somewhat difficult to-day to write a connected letter. I fear, however, that if I don't send this, I will be unable to write for some time as classes open on Wednesday.

I am enclosing my retreat resolutions. May I ask you to be kind enough to read them and if you approve to bless them for me? I would appreciate your returning them with your approval or disapproval. Again, perhaps, they are too general - but I feel urged to combine my practice of adoration with that of confidence and abandonment. I would appreciate your suggestions for my particular examen. I have been working on confidence now for two or three years. I feel that my confidence has increased very much, although I realize, too, that it can never be too great. I feel that with my particular examen, however, I am not making any progress. I have no attraction to marking and keeping track of any number of times, yet I do not wish to waste my time. Just how should I practice it as my particular examen? Am I too general in it? I am still struggling along in meditation. Lately I feel that I have gone backward instead of forward. May I have any suggestions here too? Shall I continue with ~~Tham~~ Tanqueray for spiritual reading? I finished the first part and have begun the second. May I read St. Teresa and St. John of the Cross - or is this still "forbidden fruit" for me? If you have any suggestions to make to me in any way, I shall appreciate receiving them.

Under separate cover, I am mailing you some leaflets of the Mass of St. John as given by Father Mateo. Mother St. Claire gave these to me to send to you. I asked her for the address of where she had procured them and when I told her why I wanted it, she gladly gave me the number to send to you. She also asked me to send you the enclosed Mass stipend for her.

My congratulations to you, Father, upon your new appointment. May our dear Lord continue to bless you in your wonderful apostolate of souls and enable you to bring these young scholastics closer to Him. Rest assured of my constant prayers for you and for your many intentions. I deeply appreciate your kindness in continuing to number me among your spiritual children. Your letter has been the subject of much thought and meditation. I believe that I am beginning to understand better just what is meant by abandonment and complete surrender. I beg your blessing on our new school year which is just beginning and a remembrance in your prayers.

Gratefully in Him

Sister Mary Dolores

St. Patrick Academy
Mokena, Illinois

J M J

Sept 21, 1943

Dear Father:

I have been in my new home about three weeks now and I know you will be happy to know that I feel right at home and have a lovely group of sisters to work with.

I know that you are aware of the reasons which made it necessary for a change to be made and so I am only going to ask you to redouble your prayers for me that I may be a prudent Superior and that He may give me the grace to make Him loved above all things by my subjects.

I am a little worried about some of the good Sisters; they have been under such a strain that they are very fatigued and it will take a long time for things to adjust themselves.

It is unfortunate, but they receive very little help from our confessor - I guess he is not interested in the things that interest us.

I know you are very busy Father but a little word from you would be appreciated.

It was a great sacrifice for me to leave our Sister Mary Mediatrix but I was happy to be able to do something for Him and His. Sister knew away last Spring that I would be sent here and for that reason I know

I am where He wants me to be and He will take care of all things.

We have a large boarding school this year; eighty girls and fiftyfive boys for which we thank Almighty God.

Father Michael has sent us seven Spanish girls from South Chicago; he has been down here several times to see us and has been so kind - he is a very holy and zealous priest of God and is doing wonderful work in his parish.

My cousin, Mr. Kehoe was down to see me and left the enclosed check with me to send to you for twelve Masses to be said in Reparation to the Sacred Heart.

Sister Mary Eleonore was able to resume her work in Manteno in September for which we are thankful. Sister St Philip is here in Mokena with me. She has been very faithful and is a very holy person - what great things God can do with a willing soul!

I will leave you now to go to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass where you will not be forgotten.

Do please let me hear from you. I know you are very busy and I should not be selfish but I guess I am just a little.

I ask your blessing before I close and rest assured that you are not forgotten by your always grateful spiritual child,

Sister St Eugene.

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This is Monday evening Sept 29th since I left off writing this letter, Father English came to visit his Bishop on business and came in to see me I gave him the Badge of the Sacred Heart; he wrote out all the blessings attached together with Your address. Father was most grateful for it and to You, You will receive a letter from him very soon he said he would write to You this week and thank You. Father said oh Sister You are blessed in having such a wonderful friend in that good Father, I told Father about Your Seminary, and how the Police force, support it God bless them I will make another Novena of Holy Communion for Your intentions toward the end of October we will also have 40 Hours devotion during the month, You and dear Sister will also share with me in Holy Hours and prayers

Take good care of Yourself. I always ask our
Lord to bestow His choicest Blessings on You
especially good health

God and Mary love and bless You always

Thanking You dear Brother with all my heart
for all Your favours, blessings and prayers
for me,

Devotedly Your sister J. M. J.
Sister M. Mildreda

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The Hospital and have the nerve injected with a medicine that will stop the pain for six months or a Year, it is a Year ago since she had it done before. she said she would write to You soon, she told me You were away from home, hope You keep real well. God love You

Father find inclosed a Mass offering for my Sister Bessie whom You know she suffers from pain in her knee and heel at the same time the pain become so severe she cannot walk, her leg and foot shake terribly from the pain I know if it is Gods will You will cure her as our holy little friend told me of You having the gift of Cures how wonderful

Thank God, in return if there is anything I should do or Bessie in thanksgiving, for the same tell me and You may be sure I will gladly do what You suggest, I will be ever greatful for this favour, she has also another worry at present, Father O'Connor who she keeps house for in Yreka California, have volunteered for Chaplain in the ^{army} if he is accepted, Bessie will have no home, and I do not know where she will go, if You know of any one who would need a house keeper, she would be ready to accept it she could not do real heavy work but could take care of a home for one priest

also find a Holy Mass offering for the ~~of~~ spiritual welfare and strength for Your good Novice Adolfo Salvi if I have the name correct this Dollar was given to me at Easter time ~~and~~ by Mrs Miller and did not specify any request, put in the intentions of the two Mr. and Mrs Miller, that God will bless them with the grace of a happy death.

I will always keep You in all my prayers Holy Communion and Mass and everything I do may the Immaculate Heart of Mary keep You within hers always please Father pray for Father English that he may always keep good and if it is Gods Holy will to move him to another place by June 14th. when all the assignments will be made. And pray to for Father James Bennis who is in California he is real good Father; he had much illness in his life is doing good work I told him about You said he would make an effort to go to see You, to get some good advice from You, he wrote me a nice letter of thanks for a Badge I sent him and especially for telling him about You, did You get 15 Badges of the Sacred Heart to be blessed some time ago, they were for one of the Sisters here,

Thanking You dear Father for all Your prayers and blessings for me. I am as ever Your Sister in Christ
Sister M. Mildrida

many Lat Catholics to be fervent as this boy is widely known and if
 Our Lord and His holy Mother would be pleased to grant this favour
 I would certainly make it known to every one. I come in contact
 besides there are many who do not believe that Mrs Navarro had
 any extraordinary holiness or any favours granted her even among
 the Clergy I even heard that the Bishop did not believe it to be
 true, so we must pray for this favour to honor Our Lord & His
 holy Mother and to bring the truth of Mrs Navarro's holiness to those who
 discredit her. I am making a novena to the Divine Infant of Prague
 through Our Lady of Lourdes for this same intention, I know You will
 obtain this favour. I may get an opportunity to see You some time this
 Summer, Sister M. Regis have Brother & Sister in San Francisco the latter
 poorly in health and wishes to see her, she wants me to come along
 with her, if I do I shall make every effort to go to see You I have so
 many things to talk to You about, and so does Sister Regis, come time
 when You write would it be alright to go to see You, You know
 we would not stay over night, just for a visit of a spiritual one
 I will let You know after Lent is over, by that time You may
 have time to write and let me know if it would be alright for
 us to come to see You. The Fathers are doing well Fr. Ryan
 offers his Holy Mass every morning at 7-30. Fr. Halpin says Mass
 three times a week, Father Brennan is kept in bed but doing
 well.

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diabetic
and to pray for me - and give, for my give

father when ever you write little diabetic m. Macdonald till we pray for him
The Doctor told them they would be discharged by April 1st and will

fit for duty they are very good priests they pray for you,

I could not fully explain to you how much I miss my dear

friend Mrs Navarro, she died a week ago Yesterday, I was reduced
all day, but we must say Gods will be done, I know she is in

Heaven! Father you may be sure I will pray much for you

I have very much work to do, but that too I will make it

as prayer for you, and all your intentions, and I know you

won't forget me, I will make every effort to be good and

pray much especially in the Holy Sacrament, I will be very happy

to see you if it is possible God willing

I told Beccie you were praying for her, Father Obonor has

been very ill is now improving remember him in your

holy prayers now Dear Father I must not keep you, and

stop writing for this time, see I would keep on telling you

perhaps next time I write I may have more remarkable things

to tell you about our friend, and way when I see you I will

tell you many things, it will never surprise me if we see

miracles performed through her intercessions.

Now God bless you always, May the little Baby Jesus

tell you with His burning love, I'm making the 9 first Saturdays

to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, you share in them - you in your holy place

With all my heart I Congratulate you in the Sacred Heart
as ever Yours sister in the Sacred Heart
sister m. milder

Our Lady Academy
Mundana, Illinois

Reverend Aloysius Ellscuria, C.M.F.

St. Jude Seminary
Mokena, Illinois

First Act of Consecration to the Sacred

Heart of Jesus -Composed by St.Margaret Mary

O Sacred Heart of My Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to Thee I consecrate and offer up my person and my life, my actions, pains and sufferings, that my entire being may henceforth only be employed in loving, honoring and glorifying Thee. This is my irrevocable will, to belong entirely to Thee, and to do all for Thy love, renouncing with all my heart all that can displease Thee. I take Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus, for the sole object of my love, the protection of my life, the pledge of my salvation, the remedy of my frailty and inconstancy, the reparation for all the defects of my life, and my secure refuge at the hour of my death. Be Thou, O Most merciful Heart, my justification before God Thy Father, and screen me from His anger which I have so justly merited. I fear all from my own weakness and malice, and placing my entire confidence in Thee, O Heart of love, I hope all from Thy infinite goodness. Annihilate in me all that can displease or resist Thee. Imprint Thy pure love so deeply in my heart, that I may never forget or be separated from Thee. I beseech Thee through Thy infinite goodness, grant that my name be engraved on Thee, for in this I place all my happiness and all my glory, to live and to die as one of Thy devoted servants. Amen.

300 days indulgence applicable to the souls in purgatory.

(Rescript of His Holiness Leo XIII,
June 1st, 1897)

Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus -

O Most Sacred Heart of my Saviour, I give and consecrate to Thee my person, my life, my actions, my sorrows, my reputation and my health. I give You my body and my soul and it is my irrevocable will to belong entirely to You, to do all for Your Love and to dedicate every part of my being to your love and glory. I take Thee, then, O Sacred Heart of Jesus, for the only object of my love, the protector of my life, the reparation of my faults, the pledge of my salvation and secure refuge at the hour of my death. Be then, O Heart of Love, my justification before God, Thy Father, and screen me from the effects of His just anger. O Heart of Love, I place my trust in Thee. I fear all things from my malice and weakness but I hope all things from Thy Infinite Goodness. Annihilate in me all that can displease or resist Thee; imprint your love so deeply in my heart that I can never forget or be separated from Thee. I beg Thee through Thy infinite goodness that my name may be engraved on Thee for I wish henceforth that my happiness consist solely in living and dying as a slave of Thy Divine Heart.

O Heart of infinite goodness, ardent furnace of the most incomprehensible love, I wish to love You because You are my God and Infinite Perfection. Without Thy grace, I cannot destroy in me the enemy of Your glory, that I may live this life all divine. See how at each moment I fear and tremble under the burden of my frailties; I beseech Thee to place these resolutions together with the gift of myself and my feeble will in Your Sacred Side. Be, O Sacred Wound, my refuge against the tempests which the enemy of my salvation is waging against me. I shall never be able to persevere a single instant if Your powerful arm does not sustain me. I wish, henceforth, to be entirely Thine and to consider myself Thy property. I shall try from now on to consult you before any undertaking and to leave the disposition of my entire being to You. I wish not to have a single thought, a single desire, a single aspiration which does not exist for Thy love. Dispose of me as you will through my superiors. I wish to ask for nothing and to refuse nothing. I abandon myself entirely to Thee; console me, afflict me, according to Thy greater glory. Because

of the depth of my misery I do not deserve the privilege of sharing your cross and your humiliations - this privilege is reserved for your most faithful followers - but I ask of Thee through your infinite mercy to grant them to me as the only means of establishing your reign in my soul.

O my God, grant that I may love you alone and that I ~~may~~ find no other pleasure than that of your cross. Grant that I ~~may~~ be deaf and dumb, that I may be crucified to all the things of the world. I shall henceforth look upon humiliations and sorrows as gifts of Thy divine bounty and as special graces; and I shall pray for those who are the means of obtaining for me these precious opportunities of advancing towards You. O Jesus, I cannot ~~live~~ a single instant without You. I throw myself into your arms; extend to me Your Hand in order that I might advance towards Heaven. O who will give me the grace to love You, to die to myself in order to live only for You. When shall I love You with such an ardent love that I shall be ready to immolate myself in all things and breathe only the love of the cross? When will you cure this poor paralytic who wishes to run to You; when will you receive me in your Heart; when may I hide myself in You that I ~~may~~ no longer appear among men and that O may no longer do or say anything which is not agreeable to You?

O Divine King, why will you not give Yourself to one who is poor and naked? You fill the heavens and the earth; fill, also, my poor heart with your Divine Presence so that I may find You always within me. Since You love the divine light of humility which enlightens us as to your Immensity and our own nothingness, give me, I beseech Thee, this light; give me the simple eyes of the dove; eyes full of loving tears, eyes sufficiently brilliant to see your divine Will and accomplish it. Since I fall at each step, since I can do nothing without You, take then, my will and my liberty. Direct all; be Thou my Master; I shall be your slave. Take under your protection the salvation of my soul and my perfection. I shall look for nothing except to do your Will in all things. My life and my entire being are in Your hands. I ask of You only one grace; that of loving you with such an ardent love that I shall never again displease You in anything.

Amen.